

Daniel Nelson Farm
S. side of Glendale Rd., 1 mi. E.
of intersection of U.S. Rte. 63,
3 mi. N. of Oskaloosa
Oskaloosa Vicinity
Mahaska County
Iowa

HABS No. IA-81

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HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

STATE IOWA	COUNTY MAHASKA	TOWN OR VICINITY OSKALOOSA VICINITY
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) NELSON, DANIEL, FARM		HABS NO. IA-81
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) S. side of Glendale Rd., 1 mile E. of intersection with U.S. Rte. 63, 3 miles N. of Oskaloosa.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) The house was built in 1853. The barn was built in 1856.		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This farm is a good example of the mid-nineteenth century farm complex in Iowa. The plan of the house and the over-all site plan are typical of the rural farm during this period.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) The house is red brick with stone lintels and sills. The barn is timber frame with vertical board-and-batten siding.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) The house is L-shaped in plan, two stories in height with a gable roof, and five bays on the front elevation. The barn measures 46' x 61' and stands one story in height.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The house contains a full porch on the front, supported by four simple columns, and a second porch located on the ell; six-over-six-light windows with stone lintels; a front entrance containing a multi-paned transom window above and flanking sidelights; and two interior end chimneys.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Central hall in plan, the simply finished interior contains built-in cupboards and closets flanking the fireplaces		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The wood shed, located to the rear of the house, was reconstructed in 1964. The entire complex was restored in 1964-65.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Excellent, now the museum for the Mahaska County Historical Society.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The outbuildings include a summer kitchen, privy and woodshed, and are located to the rear of the house. The barn is located across the street.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Shank, Wesley I., <u>The Iowa Catalog: Historic American Buildings Survey</u> , University of Iowa Press, Iowa City, 1979.		
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